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FM AMEMBASSY TUNIS

TO SECSTATE WASHDC NIACT IMMEDIATE 7498

AMEMBASSY CAIRO NIACT IMMEDIATE

S E C R E T TUNIS 7217

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DEPT PASS TOKYO AND VLADIVOSTOK IF DESIRED.

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PINS OGEN

SUBJECT: HIJACKED VC-10

REF: STATE 259127

1. REFTEL RECEIVED 0259 LOCAL AS EMBASSY MONITOR
HEARD HIJACKERS ABOARD VC-10 ASK TOWER WHEN PLANE
FROM CAIRO WOULD ARRIVE. TOWER REPLIED ARRIVAL TIME
NOT KNOWN, BUT PLANE HAD TAKEN OFF. HIJACKERS ASKED WHEN
PLANE HAD LEFT CAIRO. TOWER REPLIED TIME NOT KNOWN.
HIJACKERS THANKED TOWER, VERY RELAXED.

2. COMMENT: OUR 7216 MENTIONED POSSIBILITY ABU
IYAD MIGHT COME FROM CAIRO TO TUNIS "WITH OTHERS".
"OTHERS" MAY BE THE THIRTEEN FEDAYEEN PRISONERS
WHOSE RELEASE HIJACKERS DEMAND. RELAXED POSTURE
OF HIJACKERS WOULD APPEAR INDICATE THEY BELIEVE
THIS TO BE THE CASE.

3. AS ABOVE DRAFTED, (0330 LOCAL) UNIDENTIFIED SMALL
JET AIRCRAFT LANDED TUNIS AND TOWER ORDERED
EXPEDITIOUS CLEARANCE OF PASSENGERS.
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